

ATLANTA IS STILL WELCOMING TAFT

No End to Reception Accorded the President-Elect By Southerners.

MAKES ADDRESS AT UNIVERSITY

Takes Flying Trip to Athens, After Making Tour Around Atlanta In An Automobile.

By JAMES HAY, Jr.
ATLANTA, Ga., Jan. 16.—President-elect Taft's second day in the maelstrom of Atlanta's lavish and relentless hospitality was varied by his taking a flying trip to Athens where the State University is situated.

He left here at noon and will return at 7 o'clock this evening. Before going to Athens he toured Atlanta in an automobile, spoke to the students of the Georgia Technical School and delivered an address to the negroes at big Bethel Church.

The treatment he is receiving here makes the tales of Julius Caesar's triumphs read like the induction of a backwoods mayor into office. There was never anything like this in Caesar's family. The food he is getting has Nero's banquets faded to the pale semblance of a 3-cent lunch counter and the feast served up to him last night looked like the famous hanging gardens of Babylon in a full and blushing bloom.

A Good Host.

Beyond all doubt the triumphant Democracy of the solid and untrammeled South is a good host. Reception committees today, as yesterday, have beset him on every side breathing forth esteem and affection. Hat in hand, a short spokesman has compared his coming with sunshine after rain with the dew upon the rosebud, the laughter of babbling brooks in June and every other highly colored thing in history's catalogue.

Taft has put in a lot of time speaking since he arrived. But his performance has been as nothing to the iridescent cascade of oratory which has fallen in matchless ripples from the lips of Georgia's grandest gossips. Hoke Smith has lifted up his voice and expressed \$10,000 worth of patriotism, \$8,000 worth of Georgia's greatness, a short weight 3 cents worth of toleration of Republicanism. Mayor Robert Maddox has reached up to high heaven, and spread through his speech a few of the greater luminaries. As G. Candier, chairman of the chamber of commerce, has uttered limp phrases which perfumed the air with the odor of the every mouth there has come pulsing periods, stirring sentences, and undiluted oratory.

Business Paralyzed.
The hypnotic eloquence of the men has been emphasized and punctuated by the smiles of lovely women. From every building bunting and banners wave, flags flaunt, and people gaze. Yesterday business was suspended. Today it is paralyzed by the same throng.

Not only is the city's population making merry, but thousands of people have come in from the surrounding country to get a glimpse of the next President. He realizes their curiosity, and gives them every opportunity possible to see him. He's on the job all the time with flags flying.

Good nature is everywhere. Even Gov. Hoke Smith and Joseph M. Brown, the man who defeated him for re-election, smiled amiably at the president-elect in the morning in a most unselfish-mindedness. After that happened every man who fell on his neck and forgave him utterly and entirely. This is the effect the Taft smile has had.

This evening at 8 o'clock he will round out his visit to Atlanta by the reception tendered him by the Capital City Club, an organization composed of Georgia's leading families and a few Republicans. At this reception the ladies will be admitted, and the advance notice as it were, will be given to the social function ever pulled off in this city.

A "Blood Cousin."

Atlanta was not to have been satisfied if Taft "Cousin Bill." They have arranged that to their satisfaction after a somewhat extended climb through the branches of several family trees. Taft is now "Cousin Bill" in this man's town. Unless U. R. Kin to everybody in a Southern town U. R. Not quite up to the scratch. Taft is that much and more. It has been discussed (Continued on Second Page.)

WEATHER REPORT.

Temperature has fallen in the middle and north Atlantic coast States and lower lake region, and has risen considerably in the Northwest; elsewhere the changes are unimportant.
The southern storm will continue its movement northward, accompanied by extensive precipitation in the Eastern States tonight, and probably gradually clearing during Sunday.
The winds along the middle Atlantic coast will be high northeast to east, shifting to northwesterly by Sunday morning.
Steamers departing today for European ports will have strong northeasterly winds, probably shifting to northwesterly Sunday with snow or rain to the Grand Banks.
FORECAST FOR DISTRICT.
For the District of Columbia, heavy snow, possibly turning into rain tonight, followed by generally fair Sunday; heavy rain, with strong southerly breeze to high westerly, shifting to northwesterly winds.
SUN TABLE.
Sun rises..... 7:07
Sun sets..... 5:03
TIDE TABLE.
Today—High tide, 2:53 a. m.; 3:18 p. m.
Low tide, 9:10 a. m.; 10:14 p. m.
Tomorrow—High tide, 3:48 a. m.; 4:12 p. m.
Low tide, 10:35 a. m.; 11:08 p. m.
Florida and Carolina Resorts
Best reached by Seaboard Air Line. Three daily trains with through Pullman and dining cars. Office 1421 Pa. ave.—Adv.

OLD CHAIRS CAN'T GO WITH MR. ROOSEVELT

President Had Hoped to Take a Few Things From White House, But Hesitates to Ask Permission of the House.

When William Howard Taft assumes the office of President on the fourth of March next, he will have to be satisfied with the furniture in the Executive offices which has been in use during President Roosevelt's term of office. President Roosevelt, it was learned today, had hoped that his successor would be provided new chairs for his Cabinet room and a new desk chair for his private office. But the President has changed his mind, since authorization for the purchase of new furniture has been refused as informally as the request for it was made.

The President's varied collection of souvenirs, ranging from rare stones picked up on the prairies of the West, to trophies from the hunting grounds, indicate his desire to always have about him objects which will be reminders of days which stand out prominently in his life.

Writes to Member.

With this apparently in view the President wrote to a member of Congress stating that when he became a private citizen on March 4, he would like to take away with him the ten chairs in the cabinet room, the desk chair in his private office, and also a lounge in the Executive mansion, of which Mrs. Roosevelt is very fond.

The letter explained, so it is learned, that the President had asked Colonel Bromwell, who has charge of the White

House, to order duplicates of the furniture from the factory where the originals were made, the same to be paid for out of the funds appropriated by Congress for the maintenance of the White House. In addition the letter set forth that there were many precedents to show that Presidents in the past had carried away with them when leaving office articles of which they were especially fond.

The member of Congress to whom the letter was addressed quickly replied to the President. He stated that he was personally without authority to give the President permission to take into private life furniture or any other articles which had been purchased by Government funds for the use of an official household, or words to that effect.

Tells Him a Way.

He added, however, that since the President seemed especially desirous of having with him trophies which would always be a reminder of his strenuous Presidential days, he would gladly, if the President wished, call the matter to the attention of the Appropriations Committee, which, if it saw fit, could appropriate the money necessary to buy the new furniture.

The Appropriations Committee being the one body of men in Congress to which favors, he promptly notified the member of Congress to whom his original letter was addressed, that he would withdraw his request.

Continuing was thereupon ordered to cancel the order.

QUESTION OF GAS TO BE DELVED INTO

Senator Gallinger Says the Whole Subject Needs Inquiry, Which Takes Time.

Senator Gallinger, chairman of the Senate District Committee, indicated today that his committee would give due consideration to the question of reducing the price of gas.

He said he believed that if the gas question were gone into properly several weeks would be required; that experts should be called in, and that the whole subject should be inquired into most carefully.

He said there was not time for this at the short session, and he thought the committee would take the matter up and do the best it could, considering the shortness of the time and the pressure of general Senatorial duties upon the various members of the committee. The Senator also pointed out that there was an item in the District appropriation bill providing for 85-cent gas in Government buildings, and said it would be necessary to give this matter consideration in connection with the District appropriation bill.

He said he did not know just when hearings would be begun on the District bill, but he wanted to take the matter up as soon as possible. Senator Gallinger deems the matter of 85-cent gas in Government buildings as of much importance, because of the law which requires consumers of gas in the District to be charged the same price.

Consequently, if a District bill were passed on an 85-cent provision applying to gas used by the Government, the courts might construe this provision in connection with the old law on the subject as requiring 85-cent gas for the District as a whole.

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Gas Pressure in Mains Measure Being Prepared

In connection with the proposed legislation to regulate the quality of gas manufactured by the Washington and Georgetown gaslight companies, the Commissioners today directed the corporation counsel to prepare a bill requiring a pressure in the gas mains of one inch.

As soon as prepared it will be forwarded to Congress as a separate measure in order that no time may be lost in the adoption of the bill submitted yesterday, which limits the amount

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Children's Voices Heard.

While Mrs. Jenkins was talking the voices of the children, Captain Hains and his brother could be heard in the upper part of the Hains residence, 815 Eighteenth street northwest. The three sons of the captain and the little four-year-old daughter of Thornton Jenkins Hains, Mollie, who was his first thought in the funeral, were in the room, charged with non-support. The wife of the captain was in the room, charged with non-support. The wife of the captain was in the room, charged with non-support.

None of the children, of course, have been acquainted with the tragedy which has been hanging over their parents. But they seemed to feel today that there was something in the air that gave them the right to unrestrained

As a result of the hearing the family will be cared for during the next few weeks at least. Mrs. Taylor and her two baby daughters will go to St. Ann's Orphanage, and the three younger boys are to be cared for at the House of Detention until provision can be made for them by the Board of Children's Guardians. The charge against the father was dismissed, and the court informed him he would be given six months to find work and straighten out his affairs. Taylor will take the two older boys with him.

TRAIN DEALS DEATH TO SLEIGHING PARTY

Four Killed and Others Injured in Accident on Canadian Road.

ST. CATHERINES, Ontario, Jan. 16.—Running sixty miles an hour, the New York express on the Grand Trunk railroad plowed through a sleigh load of sleighing party today, killing four and injuring several others.

The dead are: William Wilson and George G. Teeter and wife. Gordon Nelson was seriously injured, and will probably die. Miss Lottie Teeter, another member of the party, was seriously injured, but will recover. The infant child of the Teeters was picked up near the tracks after the accident, and is now in the hospital.

View of the approaching train was shut off from the sleighing party by buildings on both sides of the track.

FOUR MEN KILLED IN FREIGHT WRECK

PEORIA, Ill., Jan. 16.—Two extra Northwestern freight trains met in a head-on collision at Jonestown, Ill., station ten miles west of here, late last night. Four men were killed and two seriously injured. The dead are: Metzger, fireman. Russell, brakeman. Pouchin, brakeman. The trains were going at a high rate of speed.

DEATH TOLL LARGE IN RAILROAD WRECK

Lives of Passengers Snuffed Out in Collision in Colorado.

BODIES OF TWENTY ARE RECOVERED

Thirty More Dead Believed to Be Still Beneath the Debris.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Col., Jan. 16.—Twenty known dead and at least thirty injured is the latest estimate of the casualties in the collision last night at Dotsero, between a westbound Denver and Rio Grande passenger train and an eastbound freight.

Scenes of Horror.

Doctors and nurses of the relief train, which has arrived here, declared the scenes of horror presented at the wreck are almost indescribable. Nothing is left of the wrecked coaches, they declare, but masses of twisted wood and steel, and beneath the debris the bodies of the victims can plainly be seen.

As fast as the dead are taken out their bodies are placed in a long row at the side of the track in readiness for the relief trains to bear them to this city. Railroad officials here who are in charge of the relief work, refuse to make any estimate of the dead or give out any data of the bodies recovered. The hospitals and morgues are rapidly being filled and the confusion is great. No relief train bearing the bodies of the victims arrived here until 8 o'clock today, and thirty injured are on the way. One of the injured is said to have died en route.

Fixing the Blame.

Railroad officials say the responsibility for the wreck rests with the engine crew of the passenger train who were trying to "steal" a siding. In other quarters the freight crew is blamed, as the men were supposed to have received orders here to wait for the passenger at Dotsero.

The scene of the wreck is very difficult of access. On one side is a precipice and on the other a deep canyon. The telescoped chairs and the first coach of the passenger train were both reduced to a mass of debris, it is believed that not a single person in the chair escaped death or injury.

Immediately after the crash, the wreckage took fire, but the surviving passengers were able to escape. The fire heads to fight the flames. Snow which lined the track was brought into service, and in this way the fire was quickly extinguished.

Accurate Details.

Accurate details of the wreck and its causes were received here shortly before noon. They are that the wreck was caused by Gus Olsen, engineer of the passenger train, who misread his watch at 9:35 p. m. last night by ten minutes.

He had plenty of time, he pulled his train past Dotsero, and he should have waited for the freight and started for another siding on a down grade under a full head of steam. Conductor Edward McCord noticed that the train was pulling back Dotsero, and pulled the bell cord. It was then too late, however, for in another instant the passenger train rounded a spur in the curve on the grade and crashed at full speed into the waiting freight train.

The crash was a terrible one. The passenger train and two freight engines, jumped as soon as they reached what was happening, and all were killed except John Anderson, fireman of the freight train, who escaped with a broken leg. The force of the collision drove the heavy Pullman cars in the rear of the passenger into the day coaches ahead of them.

First News of Wreck.

The first news of the wreck was received from the crew of the westbound freight train, which was passing Dotsero, N. D., which allowed the passenger train to pass. The freight train was also passing Dotsero by two hours.

The crew telegraphed to this city, immediately after the crash, and the work of rescue is being directed by telegraph by the Denver Central, which is in charge of the rescue work.

Among the known dead is Gus Olsen, engineer of the passenger train. The freight train was taking a siding and in two and one-half hours the passenger train struck it. It is probable that the number of dead will be increased. Eighteen bodies have already been removed.

No one was injured in the sleeping cars. A train left here early this morning, and the bodies of the victims are being taken to the city.

PROVIDE \$135,662,888 IN THE NAVY BILL

Increase of Thirteen Millions Shown in Committee's Report

URGE A REVERSAL OF "MARINES" ORDER

Two, First-Class Battleships Provided For—Other Recommendations.

Carrying an appropriation of \$135,662,888, the House Committee on Naval Affairs today brought in its report. Aside from the amount of money involved in the bill the most interesting feature is the recommendation which practically provides that President Roosevelt's withdrawal of marines from battleships be set aside.

The bill authorized the construction of two first-class battleships to cost exclusive of armor and armament, not exceeding \$6,000,000 each, similar to the battleship authorized in 1908; five torpedoboats to cost exclusive of armament, \$1,800,000 each; one destroyer to cost \$400,000 each; two small vessels of similar type to cost \$250,000 each; one fleet coller to cost \$1,000,000; four fleet collers, the total cost of which shall not exceed \$3,000,000, and four submarine torpedo-boats, for which \$3,000,000 is appropriated.

\$15,000,000 Short.

The appropriation recommended by the committee is a little over \$15,000,000 less than that asked for in the estimate submitted by the Navy Department. The total appropriation of "increase of the navy" is \$39,819,855. Of

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SNOW BLIZZARD COMES TO TOWN

Weather Man Says Fall Will Probably Be Heavy Before Morning.

Take your sleigh bells down off the hook, get out your foot warmers, and pile the straw in the outer fur, unless the weather man has gone clear wrong in his calculations, there is going to be a fine, deep snow by tonight. It's going to keep on coming down all through the night, too, if there is anything in signs, and churchgoers tomorrow will be forced to wear their goggles and, mayhap, their boots.

Those who always leave their umbrellas at home on rainy days and bring them out when the sun shines never thought to lift them out of the rack this morning. There had been so many false alarms in the past few days that when folks got up this morning and saw the sky overcast each said to the other: "Oh! It'll clear off after a while," and went downtown without their umbrellas. But it didn't. The snowfall began shortly after 8 o'clock and looked particularly harmless at first, but grew more courageous as the day went by, and by noon the flakes were "some large," and their pace was a mighty fast indeed.

At the Weather Bureau the information was obtained that the storm would continue at least twenty-four hours, and that there is a slight chance that the snow may change into a rain before tomorrow morning. This means that it will probably get a little warmer, although there is again the chance that the thermometer may dip down a little lower before tomorrow.

The storm is a combination of a severe bit of cold weather in the north, and a storm down in Tennessee. It did not begin to snow through the North until this morning, and in the Southern storm center reports are that rain prevails. The snowstorm, which is giving Washington a picturesque touch of winter, is also raging in northern Maryland, West Virginia, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Delaware, New Jersey, New York, and southern and western New England.

Divisions of World.

The United States of America, with the present and future dependencies, Territories, and possessions, with Mexico, Guatemala, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Colombia, and Venezuela, were to be known as "American Territory."

all the countries of South Africa not mentioned in the above as well as the islands in the Caribbean not belonging to Spain and British Honduras were to be common or "syndicated territory," the Dominion of Canada, and the Spanish West Indies were to be "free market," and all the rest of the world was to be "European Territory."

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SENATE MAY PROVE BACON'S WATERLOO

Solons Whose Dignity Has Been Offended by Assistant Secretary's Frosty Receptions Whispering Plots to Keep Him Out of Cabinet.

By J. C. WELLIVER.

A graceful recognition of his work and a means of conferring upon the eminence of a place in the list of American premiers and an assured position in history. It is a compliment which any man in Mr. Bacon's position might peculiarly esteem.

But the Assistant Secretary has managed somehow to offend a number of Senators deeply. Stories of his treatment of callers are circulated in the Senate cloak room, and there has been a lot of quiet chuckling among statesmen who have experienced the Baconian frost, about the satisfaction they have in store, getting even. Mr. Bacon's appointment as Assistant Secretary has five weeks or thereabouts, expiring March 4. It will be a very simple matter to find it up, and Senators with grievances have been conferring about the matter.

The pioneers of opposition have found very general sympathy with their designs, and are confident that there never be a serious effort to secure confirmation. Nobody, of course, has ever earned the recognition of the brief promotion. But, to use the phrase of his own diplomacy, he is decidedly persona grata with the Senate, and it guesses it sees where it will fix him.

AGE-OLD MAN KILLED; DAUGHTER IS HELD

Head Cleft With Ax, and Body Badly Mutilated.

NO MOTIVE GIVEN FOR THE MURDER

Suspect Declares That Her Half-Witted Brother Committed the Crime.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 16.—With her head cleft in twain and her lower limbs chopped almost in pieces, Mrs. Sophy Coufal, eighty-one years old, was found dead in the collar of her home, 818 North Broadway street, early this morning by Patrolman Patterson, the as used in the crime lying within fifteen feet of her body.

Her daughter, who calls herself Sophy Bartussek, was arrested a short time later by round Sergeant Arbin, Sergeant Barry, and Patrolman Patterson, in company with Corporal Carruthers, who promptly investigated the case.

In the house lived the old woman, her son, John Coufal, her daughter, and James Bartussek, said to be the woman's husband. Besides the two daughters of Sophy Bartussek, Finnie, aged twenty years, and Mary, a young girl, Bartussek was absent last night.

Daughter Hysterical.

Early this morning Finnie ran to her neighbors screaming that her grandmother had fallen down the steps and was dying. Patrolman Patterson, hearing the commotion, went to the house and found the body as stated. When the officers went to arrest the daughter they found her in bed and hysterical. She declared that her half-witted brother John had committed the crime. She said that her mother had fallen down the steps and that immediately John had taken the ax and killed her. She made no explanation as to the motive.

John Coufal stated that he had gone to the house about 10 o'clock, but his sister had refused to open the door and let him in. He had gone away and returned some time after midnight. Then when she screamed "You killed mother," she began screaming "You killed mother."

"Fall Down Stairs."

He denied knowing anything further of the murder. Finnie Bartussek refuses to make any statement, beyond saying her grandmother fell down stairs.

Frank Coufal, another son, who lives at 1700 Lansing avenue, came to the house later. He shook his fist in his sister's face, and said: "You led me to your leading a dissipated life." The clothing worn by the Bartussek woman were taken away and examined. Carefully examined for blood stains, although none were apparent. There were no stains on the clothing, which had evidently been recently washed.

No motive for the crime has been found.

The old woman was born in Australia, but had lived in this country for thirty-six years.

PANAMA LABEL SUIT BEFORE TWO JURIES

Newspaper Men Are Summoned to Appear Here and in New York.

Two newspaper men have been summoned to appear before the grand jury here, and one before the grand jury in New York, in connection with the proposed prosecution of certain papers for libel on account of charges against the administration of Panama canal affairs.

The grand juries have called also for files of the newspapers in question from September on.

BOARDING-HOUSE KEEPER IS SHOT

J. L. Butler, of Roanoke, Mortally Wounded By Drunken Boarder From North Carolina.

ROANOKE, Va., Jan. 15.—J. L. Butler, a blacksmith and boarding-house keeper was shot and mortally wounded about 2 o'clock this morning in his home by W. C. Conroy, of Asheville, N. C., a drunken boarder, who came in after midnight and raised a disturbance. Butler was aroused from his sleep by the disorder of Conroy, and was endeavoring to quiet the drunken man. Two of Butler's daughters ran to their father's rescue and attacked Conroy with a hatchet, leaving several severe wounds on his head. Conroy was arrested while his victim was sent to the hospital where great doubt exists as to his recovery.

PORK IS LEFT OUT OF A PORK BARREL

A pork barrel without the pork has been decided upon by the House Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds. The committee will bring in a bill, instead of making appropriations to gladden the hearts of Representatives and their constituents it will make minor additions and corrections to the present law.

This action is but another evidence that Speaker Cannon's ultimatum that the strictest economy is the law of the House this session, and the committees which ordinarily recommended heavy drains on the Treasury are either pruning extensively or failing to make appropriations at all.

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